and Home











What is the difference between a 'house' and a 'home'?







Family



This family has a mum and dad.

They have two children, a boy and a girl.

Do all families have a mum and dad?

Do all families have children?

Do all families live together in a house?

Who is in your family?



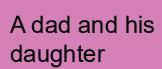
A family could be...



A mum and her son



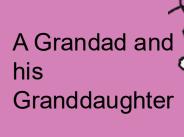
Two mums and their daughter





Or a grandma and her grandchildren, an uncle and his nephew, an adoptive parent and their children, two daddies and their daughter, a couple and their dog, a stepdad and his stepchildren...

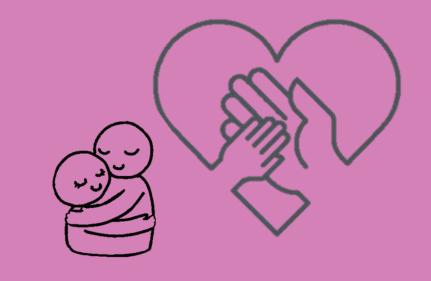
A family can be whatever they want it to be!





Adoption

Some families have adopted children.



Being adopted means that you can't live with the people you were born to: your birth parents.

Adoption means becoming part of this new family for ever.

Children are adopted for lots of different reasons!





Fostering

Some families have foster children.



Being fostered means you might not live with this family for ever, but they help to look after you when you need it.

Being **fostered** could mean living with family sometimes, as well as living with your foster family.

Again, children are fostered for lots of different reasons!



Can you think of any examples?

Have you ever read a book or watched something on TV that features an adoptive or foster family? There are a few clues on the board to help you!















What can we learn?

What can these examples teach us about what is important in a family? Write down some ideas about these positive lessons, and what family means to you.



Let's think about family!

Who is important to you in your family?

What does it mean to be part of a family?

What does your family to do to look after you and keep you safe?

How does being in a family make you feel?





Your family might...



Make sure you've brushed your teeth!





Make you tasty meals and pack your lunch.

Take you out to do fun things like going to the park.





Drop you off at school and pick you up later.

Give you comfort and support when you're upset or frustrated.



What do you think about family and home?

We are going to do something exciting!

You are going to draw what family and home means to you.

All of our pictures will be transformed into one huge work of art.

You will help people to learn about all different types of families by thinking about what family means to them.

You can use pictures, and you should also include a sentence or two about what family means to you.



Like this!



You could draw a family or be even more imaginative and draw a picture of a concept that represents family to you!



Remember to include a sentence about what family means to you. You might like to use words like:

